

EXTENSION OF BANCROFT PLACE BETWEEN PHELPS  
PLACE AND TWENTY-THIRD STREET NW.

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JANUARY 23, 1925.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the  
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Mr. ZIHLMAN, from the Committee on the District of Columbia,  
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 596]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill H. R. 596, report the same favorably with amendments and the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and the bill as amended do pass.

Page 2, section 2, line 9, after the word "hereby," insert the words "authorized to be."

Page 2, section 2, line 9, after the word "appropriated," insert the word "entirely."

Page 2, section 2, line 10, after the word "Columbia," strike out all the language down to and including the word "amounts" in line 14 and insert the words "an amount" in lieu thereof.

Page 2, section 2, line 18, strike out the words "60 per centum."

Page 2, section 2, line 19, after the word "Columbia," insert a period and strike out the balance of the paragraph.

Bancroft Place is now opened from Twenty-fourth Street east to Twenty-third Street and has been dedicated from Twenty-third Street to Phelps Place, with the exception of a small tract of land 50 by 174 feet.

The purpose of this bill is to condemn and open up square 2529, which will continue the street on to Connecticut Avenue, it now being open between Phelps Place and Connecticut Avenue.

There is attached hereto and made a part of this report a letter from the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, approving passage of this bill and stating it is in the public interest.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 15, 1925.

HON. STUART F. REED,

*Chairman Committee on the District of Columbia,*

*House of Representatives.*

SIR: The Commissioners of the District of Columbia have the honor to recommend the enactment of H. R. bill No. 596, Sixty-eighth Congress, first session, entitled, "A bill to provide for the extension of Bancroft Place between Phelps Place and Twenty-third Street NW., and for other purposes," which was referred to them for their consideration and recommendation.

Some time ago the commissioners instituted condemnation proceedings to condemn this street in accordance with existing law, under which law the entire cost is assessed as benefits. The case, however, failed as the jury could not find benefits equal to the damages.

This bill was forwarded to the Director of the Budget in accordance with the provisions of circular 49 of the Bureau of the Budget, and the commissioners are advised by the Director of the Budget that it is not in conflict with the financial program of the President.

The commissioners believe that the extension of Bancroft Place between Phelps Place and Twenty-third Street is in the public interest and that the matter is of sufficient importance to justify participation by the Government in part of the cost.

Very respectfully,

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,  
By CUNO H. RUDOLPH, *President.*

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